



# ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 3, 2016

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week. Harvesting continued on almost three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Cotton planted is at 25 percent, same as last year and above the 5-year average of 23 percent. Rangeland conditions varied widely, depending on location but were rated mostly fair to good. Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage (green and red), cilantro, kale greens, and parsley last week. Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, Bok Choy, broccoli, cabbage (green and red), cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale greens, varieties of lettuce (Boston, Iceberg, green leaf, red leaf, romaine and other), parsley, radicchio, and spinach last week. Seven weather stations reported precipitation last week. The Grand Canyon recorded the least precipitation at 0.02 inches while Flagstaff was at 0.15 inches. The highest temperature during the week was 93 degrees reported at Parker. The lowest temperature during the week was 12 degrees at the Grand Canyon.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed .....	12	NA	NA	NA
Cotton				
Planted.....	25	15	25	23
Durum Wheat				
Headed .....	5	NA	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Planted.....	95	90	91	91
Emerged .....	70	60	29	24

NA – not available

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork .....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	2	2	2	NA
Short .....	27	26	21	NA
Adequate.....	64	65	70	NA
Surplus .....	7	7	7	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	14	14	--	NA
Short .....	10	10	17	NA
Adequate.....	71	71	81	NA
Surplus .....	5	5	2	NA

NA – not available

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# CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor .....	4	4	5	2
Poor .....	1	2	1	3
Fair .....	12	13	14	24
Good.....	43	42	36	45
Excellent.....	40	39	44	26
Barely				
Very poor .....	2	2	2	NA
Poor .....	--	--	6	NA
Fair .....	14	14	62	NA
Good.....	45	45	24	NA
Excellent.....	39	39	6	NA
Durum Wheat				
Very poor .....	1	1	--	NA
Poor .....	--	1	2	NA
Fair .....	10	9	8	NA
Good.....	30	31	73	NA
Excellent.....	59	58	17	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor .....	11	10	10	17
Poor .....	11	10	10	21
Fair .....	38	39	35	35
Good.....	36	37	41	24
Excellent.....	4	4	4	3
Winter Wheat				
Very poor .....	10	NA	10	NA
Poor .....	--	NA	20	NA
Fair .....	12	NA	30	NA
Good.....	36	NA	25	NA
Excellent.....	42	NA	15	NA

NA – not available

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Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\\_by\\_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop\\_Progress\\_&\\_Condition/2016/AZ\\_Weather\\_04032016.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2016/AZ_Weather_04032016.pdf)